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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I don't feel that Microsoft was treated fairly at all in this matter. The government seems to be persecuting this company for being too good at what they do and making a product that many people like. The government should support American companies like Microsoft that do well and make a hearty contribution to our economy.

This settlement is not only good for getting Microsoft back in business but it will have a direct impact on the consumer as well. By increasing access to Microsoft's code, more programs with greater Windows compatibility can be designed and they can work better together. Both of these factors are a big draw to many people and I know that people especially those who daily depend on Microsoft products, will be pleased with it.

Please let's all get on to more important matters and leave this mess behind. The settlement will help us do that and will bring an end to this case.

Sincerely,

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